

CLAIM AMENDMENTS:

Please amend the claims as follows:

1. (Currently Amended) Apparatus for cleaning medical transport boards comprising:

a closed chamber having first and second oppositely facing ends and having a first opening in said first end for receiving a board and a second opening at said second end for passing the board out of the chamber;

a first partition in said chamber spaced from said first end thereof for defining a disinfectant spray section, said spray section including a spray delivery system for spraying disinfectant on all exposed surfaces of the board as the board passes through said spray section;

a second partition in said chamber spaced from said second end thereof for defining a rinse water section, said rinse water section including a water delivery system for flowing water over all exposed surfaces of the board as the board passes through the rinse water section; and

a pair of power driven cylindrical brushes with radial extending bristles located in said chamber between said first and second sections for scrubbing exposed surfaces of the board during passage of the board through the chamber, said brushes being positioned in a plane substantially perpendicular to the board to concurrently engage opposite exposed surfaces of the board and being rotatably driven in a same direction, one of said brushes creating a first force pushing the board toward said first end of said chamber and another of said brushes creating a second force pulling the board toward said second end of said chamber so that the two forces cancel each other allowing the board to be moved by a user using a manual force to push or pull the board in either one direction or another.

2. (Original) The apparatus of claim 1 and including a pre-wetting water dispensing system in said disinfectant spray section, said water dispensing system being disposed for wetting the board prior to spraying of disinfectant thereupon.

3. (Original) The apparatus of claim 1 wherein each of said spray delivery system and said water delivery system includes a plurality of spaced nozzles for delivering a liquid spray to all exposed surfaces of the board.

4. (Original) The apparatus of claim 3 and including a pump for maintaining a constant predetermined volume of flow at each of said spaced nozzles.

5. – 6. (Cancelled)

7. (Currently Amended) The apparatus of claim ~~6~~1 wherein the brushes are located between said first and second partitions.

8. (Original) The apparatus of claim 4 and including a storage tank for holding a supply of liquid disinfectant and a tube leading from said tank to said disinfectant spray delivery system, said disinfectant being drawn into said spray delivery system by water pumped through said spray delivery system.

9. (Cancelled)

10. (Original) The apparatus of claim 9 and including an electric motor mounted outside said chamber and coupled for concurrently driving said brushes.

11. (New) The apparatus of claim 1, the chamber ends separated by a distance less than a length of the board so that at least one of the board ends of the board protrudes sufficiently from at least one chamber end to allow a user to pull or push the board through the chamber without mechanical assistance.